## **LISTING OF CLAIMS**

## 1 - 68. (Cancelled)

69. (Currently Amended) A method for transmitting video data comprising:

obtaining generating preview meta-data for identifying based on a main video
data, said main video data constituted by connecting, by selecting in a predetermined sequence a
plurality of shots or scenes, each shot or scene being a basic unit of the main video data;

obtaining semantic evaluation meta-data based on an evaluation of the shots or scenes of the main video data, said semantic evaluation meta-data indicating the development of the significance of the shots of the main video data to an overall-content represented by the main video data; and

transmitting the <u>identifying datapreview meta-data</u>, the semantic evaluation <del>meta-data</del>, and the main video data...

wherein the preview meta-data further comprises commentary data, still picture data, and/or voice data introducing the main video data and each chapter of the main video data.

70. (Currently Amended) A video data transmitter comprising:

means for generating obtaining preview meta data based on data for identifying a

main video data, said main video data constituted by connecting, by selecting in a predetermined sequence a plurality of shots or scenes, each shot or scene being a basic unit of the main video data;

means for generating obtaining semantic evaluation meta-data based on an evaluation of the shots or scenes of the main video data, said semantic evaluation meta-data indicating the development of the content significance of the shots of the main video data to an overall content-represented by the main video data; and

means for transmitting via a communication link the <u>identifying preview meta-</u>data, the semantic evaluation <del>meta-</del>data, and the main video data.

wherein the preview meta data further comprises commentary data, still picture data, and/or voice data introducing the main video data and each chapter of the main video data.

71. (Currently Amended) A method for receiving video data comprising: receiving main video data;

receiving identifying data, identifying main video data, the main video data

constituted inpreview meta-data representing a predetermined sequence a plurality of shots or
scenes, each shot or scene being a basic unit of the main video data;

receiving semantic evaluation meta-data <u>based on</u>representing an evaluation of the shots <u>or scenes</u> of the main video data, said semantic evaluation meta-data indicating <u>the</u> <u>development of the significance of the shots of the main video data to an overall-content</u> represented by the main video data; and

manipulating the main video data based on the preview meta-identifying data and the semantic evaluation meta-data,

wherein the <u>identifying preview meta</u>-data further comprises commentary data, still picture data, and/or voice data introducing the main video data and each chapter of the main video data.

- 72. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 71, wherein manipulating the main video data comprises extracting a predetermined part from the main video data identified by the <u>identifying preview meta-data</u> and the semantic evaluation meta-data.
- 73. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 71, further comprising:

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receiving billing meta-data indicating how billing is to be performed; and billing a viewer at a receiving end based on the received billing meta-data.

(Currently Amended) A video data receiver comprising:

means for receiving via a communication link main video data;

means for receiving via the communication link preview meta-identifying data
representing a predetermined sequence of shots, or scenes, each shot or scene being a basic unit
of the main video data;

means for receiving via the communication link semantic evaluation meta-data representing an evaluation of the shots or scenes of the main video data, said semantic evaluation meta-data indicating significance of the shots of the main video data to an overall content represented by the main video data; and

means for manipulating the main video data based on the preview metaidentifying data and the semantic evaluation meta-data.

wherein the <u>identifying preview meta-</u>data further comprises commentary data, still picture data, and/or voice data introducing the main video data and each chapter of the main video data.

- 75. (Currently Amended) The receiver according to claim 74, wherein the means for manipulating has at least a function of extracting a predetermined part from the main video data identified by the preview meta-identifying data and the semantic evaluation meta-data.
- 76. (Previously Presented) The receiver according to claim 74, further comprising:

means for receiving billing meta-data indicating how billing is to be performed;

and

means for billing a viewer at a receiving end based on the received billing metadata.

77. (Currently Amended) A video data transmitting/receiving method comprising:

data, said main video data constituted by connecting by selecting in a predetermined sequence a plurality of shots or scenes, each shot or scene being a basic unit of the main video data;

obtaining semantic evaluation meta-data representing based on an evaluation of the shots or scenes of the main video data, said semantic evaluation meta-data indicating the development of the content represented by significance of the shots of the main video data; to an overall content represented by the main video data;

transmitting the <u>preview meta-identifying</u> data, the semantic evaluation meta-data, and the main video data;

receiving the preview meta-identifying data, the semantic evaluation meta-data, and the main video data; and

manipulating the main video data based on the received preview meta-identifying data and the received semantic evaluation meta-data,

wherein the preview meta-identifying data further comprises commentary data, still picture data, and/or voice data introducing the main video data and each chapter of the main video data.

78. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 77, wherein manipulating the main video data comprises extracting a predetermined part from the main video data identified by the preview meta-identifying data and the semantic evaluation meta-data.

79. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 77, further comprising:

transmitting and receiving billing meta-data indicating how billing is to be performed; and

billing a viewer at a receiving end based on the received billing meta-data.

80. (Currently Amended) A video data transmission/reception system comprising:

a video data transmitter having:

means for transmitting via a communication link preview meta-identifying data, semantic evaluation meta-data, and main video data;

means for <u>generating obtaining</u> the <u>preview meta-identifying</u> data by <u>selecting</u> <u>connecting</u> in a predetermined sequence a plurality of shots <u>or scenes</u>, each shot <u>or scene</u> being a basic unit of the main video data; and

means for <u>generating obtaining</u> the semantic evaluation meta-data based on an evaluation of the shots <u>or scenes</u> of the main video data, said semantic evaluation meta-data indicating <u>the development of the significance of the shots of the main video data to an overall</u> content represented by the main video data; and

a video data receiver having:

means for receiving via the communication link the preview meta-identifying data, the semantic evaluation meta-data, and the main video data; and

means for manipulating the main video data based on the preview metaidentifying data and the semantic evaluation meta-data,

wherein the preview meta-identifying data further comprises commentary data, still picture data, and/or voice data introducing the main video data and each chapter of the main

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video data.

- 81. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 80, wherein the manipulating means of the video data receiver has at least a function of extracting a predetermined part from the main video data identified by the <u>preview meta-identifying</u> data and the semantic evaluation meta-data.
- 82. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 80, wherein the video data transmitter further comprises means for transmitting billing meta-data indicating how billing is to be performed; and

wherein the video data receiver further comprises means for receiving the billing meta-data, and means for billing a viewer at a receiving end based on the received billing meta-data.